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) Group Art Unit: 1619

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Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION TO RESET THE PERIOD FOR REPLY

Pursuant to the procedure set forth in M.P.E.P. § 710.06, Applicants hereby petition to reset the period for reply to the Office Action dated December 13, 2001, which was received at Applicants' correspondence address on January 9, 2002. Applicants submit that this Petition is timely, as it is being filed within two weeks of the date of receipt of the Office Action at the correspondence address. Applicants further submit that a substantial portion, one month less four days, of the set reply period has elapsed, due to delays in the U.S. Postal Service arising from decontamination of mail routed through the Brentwood facility.

As evidence of substantial delay, Applicants attach to this Petition a copy of the first page of the Office Action, which bears the date stamp of receipt at Applicants'

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correspondence address. Applicants submit that this date stamp of receipt establishes the date of receipt of the Office Action at Applicants' correspondence address, as in the ordinary course of business all mail received at Applicants' correspondence address is handled in this way.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the period for reply to the Office Action dated December 13, 2001, be restarted from January 9, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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